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IN CONNECTION WITH NEWSOM-BENGELLOUN MEETING NOW SCHEDULED FOR 1700 ON MAY 3, WE ARE REVIEWING POSSIBLE DISTINCTIONS ON USE LIMITATIONS OF THE F-5'S (INCLUDING TWO RECCE VERSIONS) PROVIDED TO MOROCCO DIRECTLY BY U.S. AND THE SIX F-5'S TRANSFERRED TO MOROCCO FROM IRAN VIA JORDAN IN 1976. DIA'S CURRENT ORDER OF BATTLE FIGURES REFLECT MOROCCAN LOSSES OF AT LEAST SIX F-5'S, TWO OF THESE LOSSES SINCE JUNE 1976. HOWEVER, DIA HAS NO INFO ON WHETHER MOST RECENT LOSES WERE FROM ORIGINAL FMS/MAP AIRCRAFT OR FROM THOSE DELIVERED FROM JORDAN. PLEASE ADVISE BY PHONE ON MAY 3 ANY HARD INFO AND/OR YOUR BEST ESTIMATE OF WHETHER 4, 5 OR 6 F-5'S FROM JORDAN REMAIN SECRET

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